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FM AMEMBASSY BAMAko

TO AMEMBASSY DAKAR

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AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CGEN, OTRA, ML, SG

SUBJ: NEW SENEGAL VISA REQUIREMENTS

1. CONSULAR OFFICER WAS INFORMED AUGUST 11 BY SENEGALESE EMBOFF THAT, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ALL DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL VISA ISSUANCES WOULD REQUIRE INDIVIDUAL TELEGRAPHIC CLEARANCE FROM MINISTRY OF INTERIOR IN DAKAR. FORMAL NOTIFICATION OF NEW PROCEDURE BY NOTE WAS REQUESTED BUT HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE. SENEGALESE EMBOFF ASKED THAT PASSPORTS ALONG WITH HEALTH CERTIFICATES BE SUBMITTED ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE, BUT HE WAS NOT ABLE EVEN GUARANTEE FAVORABLE RESPONSE WITHIN THAT TIME-FRAME. IN ONLY CASE TO DATE, FULL WEEK WAS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN VISA. FURTHER, IT WAS INDICATED THAT POSSIBILITY OF OBTENTION TRANSIT VISA AT AIRPORT COULD NOT BE ASSURED AND ALSO, IN CASE OF MEDEVAC EMERGENCY, ISSUANCE WITHOUT DAKAR CLEARANCE MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE.

2. DAKAR IS NORMAL TRANSIT POINT BETWEEN MALI AND UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS MEDEVAC POINT AND BUSINESS STOP. NEW SENEGALESE POLICY CAUSES SEVERE INCONVENIENCE TO POST AND MAY ELIMINATE UTILITY OF DAKAR AS TRANSIT POINT TO UNITED STATES.

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3. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE AND TO ENSURE QUALITY OF ADVICE GIVEN OFFICIAL TRAVELERS, POST WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY DAKAR'S MAKING FOLLOWING INQUIRIES:

A. WHAT IS CURRENT POLICY REGARDING TRAVELERS WITH
1) DIPLOMATIC AND 2) OFFICIAL PASSPORTS ARRIVING DAKAR

WITHOUT VISAS FOR TRANSIT;

B. UNLESS YOU SEE PROBLEM, PLEASE INQUIRE ABOUT UNIVERSALITY OF APPLICATION NEW RULE. IN THIS REGARD, ADMIN OFFICER BAMAKO WAS ISSUED OVERNIGHT A 5-MONTH MULTIPLE-ENTRY VISA BY FRENCH EMBASSY ABIDJAN ON AUGUST 18. FRENCH HAD NEVER HEARD OF CLEARANCE REQUIREMENT;

C. AGAIN UNLESS YOU SEE PROBLEM, PLEASE DETERMINE IF POLICY IS TO BE PERMANENT OR FOR LIMITED TIME ONLY.

4. MANY THANKS FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.
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